

TO THE HONORABLE WESTMORELAND DAVIS,
Governor of Virginia,
Richmond, Virginia.

We, the undersigned, Italian citizens residing in the City of Norfolk, Virginia, respectfully request that executive clemency be extended to Vincensio Fairo, now serving in the State Penetentiary a term of seven years for homicide under a conviction imposed upon him at the April, 1916, term of the Circuit Court of Elizabeth City County, Virginia.

This unfortunate man was convicted, together with three other of his countrymen, upon a charge of causing the death on March 28, 1916, of an Italian by the name of Dominico De Pasquale. The specific charge of murder was made against five Italians, of whom one was given a life sentence, two were given one year each in the Penetentiary, one fully acquitted and Fairo given seven years.

At the time of the trial local sentiment was running very high in the town of Hampton, where the trial was had, and while there was no direct evidence against any of the defendants, and the evidence against all was of a similar character, those who were tried first got the largest sentences and the last two received sentences of only one year each. It has always been felt among those conversant with the matter that public feeling existing at the time had a great deal to do with the verdict of the jury.

Fairo has always denied complicity with the offence, which was committed, it is true, by some one, but by a number of persons acting on a sudden impulse, and it is not known today, outside of the actual perpetrator of the offence, who actually committed it.

Fairo has been in custody ever since March, 1916, or for three years last past, and we trust it may be your pleasure, for the reasons above narrated, to extend executive clemency to him.

Very respectfully,

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